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**Last Will And Testament  
Of John Cooper**

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Baltimore Co., Md.  
Thomas Cooper  
York Co., Pa.

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John Cooper

Note: This will was dated October 1, 1759 and probated in Baltimore County, Maryland, November 18, 1759.

John Cooper came from Kendal, England in 1720. He landed at New Castle, Delaware, and settled on the west bank of the Susquehanna River--then Baltimore County, Maryland. He married Alice Gill, daughter of Stephen and Elizabeth Gill, October 23, 1722.

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In the name of God Amen the first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine I, John Cooper of Baltimore County and province of Maryland, planter, being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling to mind ye mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye do make and ordain my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian-like and decent manner at ye discretion of my executor nothing doubting but at ye Genreal Resurrection I shall receive ye same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, imprivuvvis(?), In the first place I give and bequeath unto my well beloved and fourth son, Nicholas Cooper, all the land that is pertaining to me that seeth on the north side of a run called Rock Run being part of tract of land called Cooper Range and likewise part of a tract of land called the deserts of Arabia unto the only use and behove of him Nicholas Cooper and to the lawful heirs of his body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging.





I T E M - Unto my eldest and well beloved son John Cooper I give and bequeath all that part of a tract of land called Cooper's Range that is lying on the south side of aforesaid run called Rock Run unto the only use and behove of him the said John Cooper and to the lawful heirs of his body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging.

I T E M - Unto my third and well beloved son Stephen Cooper I give and bequeath all that part of a tract of land called the deserts of Arabia that is lying between Cooper's Range and Harvey's Valley and to the middle of said valley and likewise all that part of a tract of land called Cooper's Addition that is lying on the east side of the road that leads from said Stephen Cooper's to Thomas Cooper's unto the only use and behove of him the said Stephen Cooper to the lawful heirs of his body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto and belonging.

I T E M - Unto my second and well beloved son Thomas Cooper I give and bequeath that whole tract or parcel of land called Elisha's Lot and also that part of a tract of land called Cooper's Addition that is from the N. W. corner of said Thomas Cooper's field to Cooper's lower rock run and likewise part of a tract of land lying in York County in the province of Pennsylvania from the bounded trees of said tract of land up to a stooping tree that stands in the head of Harvey's Valley unto the only use and behove of him the said Thomas Cooper and to the lawful heirs of his body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging.

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I T E M - Unto my fifth and well beloved son Alexander Cooper I give and bequeath that part of a tract of land called Cooper's Addition that lays west of the road that leads from Stephen Cooper's to Thomas Cooper's and N. W. from Thomas Cooper's upper field together with the remaining part of that tract of land laying in York County in the province of Pennsylvania viz from the stooping tree in the head of Harvey's Valley N. W. to the only use and behove of him the said Alexander Cooper and to the lawful heirs of his body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging.

I T E M - Unto my dearly and well beloved grandson Cooper Boyd I give and bequeath the remaining part of Cooper's Addition which lays on the south side of Cooper's rock run together with a tract of land laying in York County in Pennsylvania province called the Pawpaw bottom the said lands at the decease of my beloved wife to be and remain at and to the only use and behove of him the said Cooper Boyd and to said lawful heirs of his body forever or if it should please God to call him away and he should decease without issue that it shall fall to his brother John Boyd and the lawful heirs of his body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging.

I T E M - Unto my dearly and well beloved daughter Elizabeth Cooper I give and bequeath that whole tract or parcel of land called Cullings Park at the decease of my beloved wife Alice Cooper to be and remain to and the only use and

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the records of the Department of Education, and that the same has been compared with the original and found to be a true and correct copy.

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and that the same has been compared with the original and found to be a true and correct copy.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Department of Education, this 1st day of January, 1911.



behove of her the said Elizabeth Cooper and the lawful heirs of her body forever together with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging.

I T E M - Unto my dearly and well beloved wife Alice Cooper the plantation we now dwell on with the premises and apurtinances thereunto belonging together with a piece of land called to Long Bottom lying in a tract of land called Cooper's Range during her natural life and also the third part of my personal estate the remaining part of my personal estate to be divided between my two sons Nicholas Cooper and Alexander Cooper and my daughter Elizabeth Cooper, Alexander to one sheare and a half thereof and the remaining part to be equally divided to Nicholas and Elizabeth Cooper. I also constitute and ordain my beloved wife Alice Cooper together with my eldest and well beloved son John Cooper as joint executors to this my last will and testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former testaments, wills, legacies and executors by me in any ways before this time named willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

John Cooper (seal)





C O P Y

**Last Will and Testament**

**of**

**Thomas Cooper**

**Peach Bottom Township - York County - Pa.**

**(Dated September 13, 1798)**





In the name of God Amen this 13th day of September in the year of our Lord 1798, I, Thomas Cooper, farmer of York Co. and State of Pennsylvania, being weak of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefore, calling to mind the mortality of my body and know that it is appointed unto all men once to die, do make and ordain my last Will and Testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul to God that gave it and recommend my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian-like and decent manner at the discretion of my executor nothing doubting but at the general Ressurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty Power of God and, as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in life, I give, devise and dispose of the same in manner and form following viz; Improvisis, in the first place I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife, Mary, my negro man, Loudon, to serve during her natural life and then to be free if he behaves himself well, likewise a negro woman called Fan; also a negro girl called Leah whom I allow to serve my wife during her natural life and then to be given to my son Stephen but if said girl should die before her mistress, aforesaid, my son Stephen must procure another instead to take care of her during life, also my will and desire is that my wife, Mary, should have the green back room





to herself, one-half of the passage, one-half of the kitchen and one-fourth of the cellar, a small garden where she may take liberty to and from the spring through the yard when necessary and unmolested. I also direct my son Stephen T. Cooper with the assistance of said Loudon, or should said Loudon die before his mistress, aforesaid, to supply the back room with constant sufficient split firewood left at the back door, small enough for one person to carry and put on for the conveniency of my wife aforesaid. I also direct my daughter Eccey Cooper to live with my wife and enjoy equal privileges in and to all places mentioned conjointly whilst single, but if my wife should depart this life and my daughter, aforesaid, yet single then my said daughter is to have and enjoy every privilege as before mentioned to and for my wife until her marriage. I also direct that my wife may have the use of an horse when she calls for and thinks fit to use him, also that sufficient bread, meat, milk together with sufficient clothing be provided for my wife and daughter, aforesaid, as and during the time mentioned and further should the negro man die or any dispute arise between my wife and son I order him to give her fifteen pounds specie yearly and every year in lieu of her board or provision during her natural life and no longer, likewise at my decease my wife is to have any of the feather beds she chooses with bedstead and summer and winter clothing complete and an assortment of kitchen and shelf furniture when she chooses to call for them, a set of my best chinaware, a pewter tea-





pot, copper coffee pot, my walnut oval table, the clothes press now in the room, aforesaid, six good chairs, the gogs or fire irons now in the room, tongs and shovel also a pair of smoothing irons, she is likewise to have one hogshhead of cider of later fruit every year which is the whole I allow her instead of dower or part of my estate.

I T E M - Unto my dearly and well beloved daughter, Armfield Morgan, I give and bequeath a certain piece of land bought from John Cook being about thirty acres more or less likewise a piece of land I bought from John Semple both being parts of a tract of land called Culling's Park, also a small piece of land called Cooper's Addition, containing about five acres adjoining land of Isaac Henry and John Semple, also my will and desire is that my son-in-law Robert Morgan have that piece of land near Broad Creek in Harford Co. called Cooper's Purchase adjoining lands of Isaac Henry and John Semple. I also forbid any accounts to be brought against the said Morgan whatsoever to the present date. I also bequeath my daughter Armfield, aforesaid, fifty pounds specie not to be paid until seven years after my decease and then without interest which together with what I have given her is the whole I allow her out of my estate.

I T E M - Unto my dearly and well beloved daughter Eccy Cooper I give and bequeath a young mare called "Gallopimg Jenny," saddle and bridle, three cows, ten sheep, two feather beds with summer and winter furniture complete, her first choice takes place of her mother's, the other to be at her brother Stephen's choosing. She must also have six bed quilts





of her own handwork, her personal apparel, a walnut case of drawers now occupied by her and what they contain, all the pewter bought in her name, a looking glass called hers, six Windsor chairs bought for and by her together with everything called by and named for her. I allow her two middling sized pots, hooks and pot rack. I also bequeath her a negro wench called Amy with her two children Hannah and Nelly. I bequeath her my aforesaid, two hundred and fifty pounds in specie, one hundred thereof to be paid her in two years after my decease, the residue to be paid her seven years after my decease, all to be without interest and all which together with what she has already got to be at her own use and disposal forever which with the privileges already mentioned is the whole I allow her out of my estate.

I T E M - Unto my dearly and well beloved daughter Duckett Stump I give and bequeath the two bonds of one hundred pounds specie which I have upon her husband William Stump, also fifty pounds specie not to be paid until seven years after my decease and then without interest which with all whatever she has already received is the whole I allow her out of my estate.

I hereby constitute, ordain and appoint my well beloved son Stephen Thomas Cooper my whole and sole executor ordering him to pay all just debts and charges after my decease and faithfully to comply with the whole contents hereof generally and severally I give and devise and bequeath unto him the said Stephen Thomas Cooper all my real and all my remaining





personal estate or property on earth to be and remain to and the only use and behoof of him the said Stephen Thomas Cooper and his heirs forever together with the premises and appurtenances thereunto belonging after discharging and complying with the whole contained in this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former testament, wills, legacies and executors by me any ways before this time named, willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year written.

Mary Cooper )  
 James Wilson )  
 Alexander Cooper ) Witnesses  
 John Nepper )  
 Isaac Henry )

Thomas Cooper (seal)

